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Please add the following new claims

70. (New) A method for defining a computer implemented automation lifecycle of a factory, the method comprising the steps of:

a) automatically defining software components relating to a lifecycle activity framework for automating the factory; and

b) installing and controlling the software components.

71. (New) The method of claim 70, wherein the software components include a manufacturing execution system.

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- (Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein defining administrating lifecycle activity framework components comprises defining one or more framework components selected from the group consisting of a security component, a graphical user interface (GUI) console component, a performance and license management component and a saga management component.
- 8. (Amended) The method of claim 1 additionally defining a software (SW) developing and integrating lifecycle activity.
- 37. (Amended) The apparatus of claim 36, wherein the administrating lifecycle activity framework components comprise one or more framework components selected from the group consisting of a security component, a graphical user interface (GUI) console component, a performance and license management component and a saga management component.
- 44. (Amended) The apparatus of claim 36, wherein the first data structure comprises:

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- a) a digitally coded fourth data structure including a graphical user interface (GUI) console component; and
- b) a digitally coded fifth data structure including a configuration management component.
- 57. (Amended) The device of claim 56, wherein the administrating lifecycle activity framework components comprise one or more framework components selected from the group consisting of a security component, a graphical user interface (GUI) console component, a performance and license management component and a saga management component.
- 62. (Amended) The device of claim 56 comprising a plurality of framework components which are adapted for interacting with a graphical user interface (GUI) console framework component.